

BRITISH NEWS VIA THE MAIL BAG

Judge's Son Weds. Mr. Robert Pollock, son of the late Baron Pollock, was married at St. Peter's Eaton square, on Monday, to Miss Ethel Mary Purefoy Powell.

Triplets Born in a Caravan. A Weymouth woman has given birth to triplets—two girls and a boy—in a caravan in a pleasure fair. The King's bounty has been granted.

Explosion at a Club. By a gas explosion at Dorking Volunteer Club recently the building was damaged, and Color-Sergeant Austin and Private Chalcraft injured. Chalcraft was blown into the billiard room.

Marquis as Fireman. At the wedding of an engineer recently of the Wokingham Fire Brigade, the Marquis of Downshire, who is captain of the brigade, drove the bridegroom to the church on a steam-train.

Blind for Seventy-Eight Years. Blind from birth, Harry Thorpe, aged 78, who carried on a business as a chimney sweep single-handed until ten years ago died recently in the Thetford (Norfolk) Workhouse.

Death in Church. During the singing of the opening hymn at the morning service in Calvert Memorial Church, Hastings, on Sunday a gentleman named Stringer fell dead in his pew. It is believed that the bitterly cold weather caused heart failure.

Passive Bullock. A big bullock from the cattle market entered a large china shop at Lewes recently. It walked the length of the shop, passing down an avenue of china, glass and earthenware articles. The drover and shop assistants, after much coaxing, got the animal out of the shop without breaking a single article.

Cottages Not Waterproof. Attention was called at the Huntingdon district council meeting on Saturday to the deplorable housing conditions in some of the villages. Many cases were reported of thatched roofs letting in water, and it was stated that in cottages at Wennington water dropped on the occupants when in bed.

New Police Chief. The Dewsbury Watch Committee has decided to appoint as Chief Constable, Chief Inspector Barraclough, who joined the Dewsbury force in 1894 as a constable, at a salary of £275, to be increased by £25 yearly until it reached £350. Mr. Barraclough succeeds Mr. Kerslake, who has been appointed Chief Constable of Southend.

Died During Luncheon. A tragedy occurred in a Manchester restaurant on Tuesday afternoon. A well dressed man was eating his luncheon when he suddenly collapsed and died before he could be removed on the ambulance. The body was identified as that of Mr. Vincent C. Ellerby, aged 68 years, of Westwood street, Moss Side.

Lady Mayoress in Aeroplane. Mrs. C. R. Ratcliffe, the Lady Mayoress, was seen in an aeroplane recently.

press of Leeds, was a passenger on Tuesday with Mr. Harold Blackburn on an 80 hp. Blackburn monoplane at Leeds. She was in the air for twenty minutes, and on descending said it was the most enjoyable experience of her life.

New Law Courts. Bournemouth's new law courts, which have been erected at a cost of £16,000, exclusive of land, were formally opened on Tuesday when the borough quarter sessions for the first time were held in the new building.

Seven Sons in the Services. Mr. and Mrs. A. Newell, of Gosberton Risegate, South Lincolnshire, have seven sons serving the King. The eldest has served seventeen years in the Navy, and the other six are in the Lincolnshire Regiment.

Town's Profit of £6,000. Portsmouth Town Council on Tuesday night approved the transfer of the municipal telephone exchange to the Post Office for £35,000. This, it was stated, would mean a profit of £6,000 to the corporation on their outlay.

Twelve Eggs, Thirteen Chickens. Mr. Spademan, of Woodnewton, Uorthingham placed a dozen eggs under a hen some time ago, and there have now hatched out thirteen chickens, one of the eggs being double-yolked. All the young birds are doing well.

Sixty Years a Chorister. Mr. Thomas Matthews, of Cirencester, who died on Tuesday in his seventy-eighth year from injuries sustained in a fall, had been a member of the church choir for sixty years, and for over fifty consecutive years had attended the Three Choirs Festival.

Goose Aged 36 Years. An extraordinary instance of longevity in the case of a goose comes from North Yorkshire, where it has just been ascertained that a bird that has belonged to Mr. Christopher Grayson, of Derwent Ho, Thornton, near Pickering, for 16 years, expired on the eve of its 37th Christmas. It had hatched an average of 18 goslings every year till last year.

Housebreaker Sentenced. Wm. Dalton, a tinsmith worker, was sentenced to three years penal servitude at the West Riding Sessions at Sheffield on Saturday for housebreaking and stealing £15 as well as jewellery from the house of Mr. Oscar G. Thomas, Wath, on Christmas night. The police stated that there were three other charges pending against the prisoner, who had a bad record.

Woman on the Roof. A young woman named Hannah Elliott, who was said to have made a perilous climb on the house tops, was charged at Exeter on Monday, with burglariously entering a house. A hairdresser named Hicks was awakened by the sounds of breaking glass. He found that a skylight had been smashed, and on the floor beneath he found a woman's slipper.

Trap Gun Fatality. Whilst passing through a wood at Highleigh, Joseph Skitt, an ex-gamekeeper, aged 74, caught his foot in a wire which caused a trap gun to go off. He was injured and died in hospital. At the inquest on Saturday it was stated that the gun was loaded with blank cartridges, but that a piece of slug must accidentally have got into the charge. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

Brighton Aquarium Loss. The General Purposes Committee of the Brighton Town Council on Monday issued their special report on the Aquarium. They recommended that Mr. Rosenthal's offer to lease the buildings to be erected by the Corporation on the Aquarium site be accepted. The terms will leave the council an obligation to pay no more than £3,000 per annum in place of the heavy losses in recent years. Last year's loss being over £6,000.

Foxes Poisoned. The mysterious death of foxes and dogs is puzzling masters of foxhounds in Hertfordshire. Some young foxes known to be in one neighborhood have disappeared, and several dead ones have been found in other places. No cause or motive has been discovered, in spite of the offer of large rewards. One theory is that of

THE SMART SILHOUETTE ON THE PROMENADE



This tailor of green duvetyne, despite its simplicity of line, is inconspicuously correct and chic. The coat has the fashionable cutaway front, soft revers and enormous armholes that make the waistline look higher than it is. The skirt, gathered at the top, is draped inward at the foot and is not more than forty-five inches around over the buttoned walking boots. These boots also are very smart and modern, with their high, curved heels and buttoned tops of gray kid.

He called a policeman, who went on the roof, and saw the girl in her bedroom. She denied having gone on the roof. When shown the slipper, however, she admitted having been on the roof, but said she went for curiosity. She was remanded.

What a Lifeboat Found. The Pilee lifeboat was launched in a rough sea to investigate a floating object drifting in from the sea which seemed to have human figures on it. It proved to be the forward half of a ship's boat out through amidships, the timbers of which gave the semblance of men. Subsequently the wreckage drove ashore, and there is nothing on it to indicate its identity.

Poisoned Deerhound. Howard Higgins, a house painter, was fined four pounds and four shillings at Dudley for maliciously killing a Scotch deerhound, which the owner valued at twenty pounds. He admitted that he poisoned the animal, but pleaded that it had three times bitten his mother-in-law, who was 90 years old. "It was," he said, "like placing the old woman in the cage of a Bengal tiger."

Woman on Fire. The neighborhood of Chatter-street Chatham, was startled early on Tuesday morning by the piercing screams of a married woman named Elizabeth Street, who ran out of her house enveloped in flames. A neighbor went to her assistance at once, tore her clothing off, and covered her with his overcoat. She was afterwards removed to St. Bartholomew's Hospital Rochester, suffering from severe burns.

Young Talent Was Clever In An Old Fashioned Way

Delightful Entertainment Given in Brant Avenue Church School Room Last Evening—A Fine Success.

The school room at the Brant Ave. Methodist church was almost filled to capacity last evening when the young ladies of the choir presented an old-fashioned concert. The people came expecting to witness and hear what would decidedly please them and they certainly did not go away disappointed. The affair was resplendent with humor and climax, keeping the audience in expectancy and laughter almost continuously. Although possessing such characteristics there were many numbers which were decidedly pretty. Miss M. Peirce conducted the affair while Mrs. John F. Schultz was the accompanist. The young ladies, attired in gowns of ages past assembled on the platform, as did also the young ladies very prettily arrayed as little girls. Many of these younger performers brought along with them their dolls. Arriving at the platform they were welcomed. It must be related that a couple of the young ladies arrived late, but it was said that this was all a part of the concert scheme. The surroundings bore a message of times past. On the wall hung an old-fashioned clock. The floor was covered with rag carpet, on the mantel were pieces of china, probably heirlooms, the spinning wheel was there and the candles were burning. Even the windows were draped suitably. Upon arriving at the home the ladies started in to spend a real sociable time. The topic of the moment was the singing school which many said they had attended. The accomplishments acquired must be demonstrated and accordingly the concert commenced. Some of the younger members rendered numbers which grandma had taught them. Many numbers were rendered by the large chorus. The program commenced with a chorus which was followed by a number rendered by a quartette, which it was announced reside at Echo Place but upon rigidly cross-examining Miss Peirce it was learned that the young ladies do not reside in that district and that they were Misses Matthews, Reynolds and Simmons. "Within a Mile of Edinburgh Town" was rendered by Miss Marjorie Sweet, followed by "Courtin' in Kentucky" rendered by Miss Annabel Ryerson. "Way Down Upon the Swance River" with guitar accompaniment was rendered by Miss Eva Fisk, Miss Burdick being the accompanist. A chorus composed of Misses Burdick, Matthews, Simmons, Lampkin, Peirce and Roberts rendered "Coming Through the Rye." Misses Louise Jones, Gladys Garvin, Phyllis Reynolds, Essie Middlemiss, Grummett and Mrs. Moule, attended as little girls, rendered a chorus followed by a chorus "Three Blind Mice" rendered by another group. A guitar solo, "Ben Bolt," was given by Miss Burdick. A minutet was presented by Misses Marjorie and Edith Sweet, Constance Roberts, Louie Kitchen, Hazel Simmons, Beatrice Longstreet and Stephanie Jones and proved to be one of the best numbers. "Rock a Bye Baby" was very sweetly rendered by Miss Gladys Garvin. Miss Stephanie Jones demonstrated how so and so renders "Annie Laurie" and she succeeded splendidly. This proved to be one of the hits of the evening. The chorus rendered, "We Are Nodding," acting it as they sang. Soon after "God Save the King" followed and all was over but the congratulations. The affair was decidedly a success and all associated with it are to be congratulated. Lunch was served "the singing school scholars."

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